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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), copies of the non-patent publications (C6-C10) are enclosed. The Examiner is also directed to the file wrapper for co-pending application nos. 09/664,226, 09/999,670 and 10/831,969 for appropriate consideration.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed:

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- ☐ (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **final action** or a **notice of allowance** under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, and
- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **OR**
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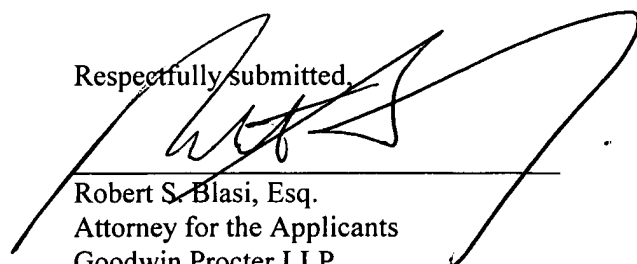
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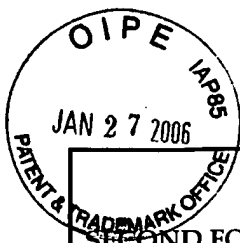


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EXAM. INIT.		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	A1	6,058,379	05/2000	Odom et al.	705	37	
	A2	6,871,191	03/2005	Kinney et al.	705	37	
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	A4	2002/0143692	10/2002	Heimermann et al.	705	37	

OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.

EXAM. INIT.		OTHER DOCUMENTS: (Including Author, Title, Date, Relevant Pages, Place of Publication)
	C6	Deshpande, Kalyan K. Office Action for U.S. Patent Application No. 09/999,670, mailed 11/22/05, pp. 1-23.
	C7	Segev, Arie; Beam, Carrie; Shanthikumar, J. George; "Optimal Design of Internet-Based Auctions", Information Technology and Management, April 2001, pp. 121-163
	C8	Emiliani, M.L.; "Business-to-Business Online Auctions: Key Issues for Purchasing Process Improvement", Supply Chain Management, 2000, p. 176
	C9	Ba, Sulin; Stallaert, Jan; Whinston, Andrew; "Optimal Investment in Knowledge Within a Firm Using a Market Mechanism", Management Science, September 2001, pp. 1203-1219
	C10	Yannis, Bakos; "The Emerging Role of Electronic Marketplaces on the Internet", Association for Computing Machinery, August 1998, pp. 35-42

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